

REMARKS

Claims 1-140 are now pending in the application. Claims 72, 87 and 91 are amended herein. Minor amendments have been made to the claims to simply overcome the objection and rejection under 37 CFR 1.75(c). The amendments to the claims contained herein are not narrowing amendments. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the objection and rejection in view of the amendments and remarks contained herein.

CLAIM OBJECTIONS

Claim 91 stands objected to because of informalities. The Examiner alleges that in Claim 91, line 4, "method" should be replaced by "the method". Claims 87 and 91 are amended herein as suggested by the Examiner. Reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection are respectfully requested.

Claims 73 and 74 stand objected to under 37 CFR 1.75(c), as being improper dependent form for failing to further limit the subject matter of a previous claim. Claim 72, from which Claims 73 and 74 depend, is amended herein. Claim 72 is amended to be of broader scope than Claims 73 and 74. Reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection are requested.

ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER


The Examiner states that claims 1-72 and 75-140 are allowed. Claims 73 and 74 ultimately depend from Claim 72 and are allowable for at least similar reasons.

CONCLUSION

It is believed that all of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all presently outstanding rejections. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action and the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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